

# CITY BEAT

## PALOS VERDES LIBRARY DISTRICT

### Author event

Palos Verdes Library District presents acclaimed author Aimee Bender as guest speaker for its third annual "One Book, One Peninsula" reading event on Saturday, Sept. 10 at 7:30 p.m. The event, which will take place on the Peninsula Center Library rooftop, will feature her novel, "The Particular Sadness of Lemon Cake."

NPR says of her work, "The fabulist elements of 'The Particular Sadness of Lemon Cake' are stunning, but what makes this novel a keeper is the sheer beauty of the language Bender uses to describe love."

Bender's book will be available for purchase, and she will be available to sign it for guests.

For more information, call the Reference Desk at (310) 377-9584, ext. 601.

## PALOS VERDES ESTATES

### Lunada Bay hit by 20-hour outage

Eight transformers went down Aug. 30, leaving 4,900 Lunada Bay residents without power for nearly 20 hours. Southern California Edison restored power at 9 p.m. Aug. 31.

"Some portions came back up and went down again as we switched [grids] to bring customers back on," said Marvin Jackmon, Edison's regional manager of public affairs.

There were no reports of any problems. "We tried to keep everything as safe as possible, and crews working as fast as possible," he said.

No reason was given for the failure of eight transformers other than equipment sometimes fail.

## PVE-CARES CLARIFICATION

PVE-CARES-sponsored programs are geared toward Palos Verdes Estates residents, age 65 and older. The PVE-CARES program was created by the PVE Police Department to assist older residents to remain safe and independent in their homes.

The PVE-CARES' event, "Taking Care of You," on Thursday, Sept. 15 is geared toward those residents.

An RSVP for the event is a must. For more information, call (310) 378-4211, ext. 2131.

## RANCHO PALOS VERDES

### 'Night at the Museum'

Join the staff and volunteers of the Point Vicente Interpretive Center for a night of fun and fantasy during its "Night at the Museum" on Friday, Sept. 16. Bring your sleeping bag, pillow and pajamas for the big sleepover.

There will be a flashlight scavenger hunt inside the museum, crafts, talks, movies and popcorn, and more. This program is designed to give parents the night off and kids a night out. This behind-the-scenes evening offers a variety of fact, fantasy and fun.

Snacks and breakfast the following morning will be provided.

The event starts at 6 p.m. on Sept. 16 and ends at 9 a.m. on Sept. 17. It is for kids ages 7 to 12, and costs \$49 per child.

Enrollment is limited and preregistration is required. Download a registration form from [www.palosverdes.com/rpv](http://www.palosverdes.com/rpv) or call the Recreation and Parks Department at (310) 544-5260 for more information. PVIC is located

at 31501 Palos Verdes Drive West in RPV.

## Join the Cleanup

Coastal Cleanup Day is an opportunity for the community to pitch in and keep its beaches clean and pristine. Join your friends and neighbors in cleaning up Abalone Cove Shoreline Park, located at 5970 Palos Verdes Drive South in RPV, directly across the street from the Wayfarers Chapel, on Saturday, Sept. 17. The parking lot will open at 8:30 a.m. and parking is free if you arrive before 9:30 a.m.

Wear sturdy shoes and bring sunscreen, gloves and a hat. Plastic bags will be provided to hold the trash and recyclables.

For more information, call the Recreation and Parks Department at (310) 544-5260.

## Docents needed

The Point Vicente Interpretive Center will have a new docent training class, beginning Wednesday, Sept. 14. If you love marine and plant life, join the class to learn how to lead tours at the Interpretive Center as well as hikes to RPV's famous landmark sites of Abalone Cove and Forrester Nature Preserve.

The classes are every Wednesday from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. at the Interpretive Center, located at 31501 Palos Verdes Drive West in RPV. For more information, call Holly Starr at (310) 544-5264 or the Los Serenos desk at (310) 377-5370. You also may visit [www.losserenos.org](http://www.losserenos.org) for more information.

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# Clean-fuel buses arrive on Hill

PV Transit has ordered five new buses powered by compressed natural gas to provide transit service on the Palos Verdes Peninsula. The buses were ordered by the PVP Transit Authority at the July 22 board meeting.

Chairperson James Goodhart said, "The new CNG-powered vehicles will provide several benefits including lower fuel costs, reduced emissions

The five buses will cost \$714,308 and will be funded by federal and local transit capital funds. The buses will be manufactured by El Dorado National Corp. in Salina, Kansas.

The vehicles will be placed into service within five months.

The vehicles will be fueled at Clean Energy's CNG fueling station in Carson. Fuel costs for CNG powered vehicles is approximately 10 percent less

Authority. The Authority will order CNG powered vehicles for all future vehicle purchases.

The PVP Transit Authority is a joint powers authority, consisting of the cities of Palos Verdes Estates, Rancho Palos Verdes and Rolling Hills Estates. Funding is provided by these three cities, Los Angeles County and Metro. The Authority provides transit service to Peninsula residents and transports more than 200,000 passengers annually.

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